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15 August 1961

DEPUTIES' MEETING

Present: Mr. Dulles, General Cabell, Mr. Bissell, Mr. Amory,
Mr. Lloyd, Mr. Kirkpatrick, Mr. Helms, Mr. Barnes,
Mr. Abbot Smith, [REDACTED] Mr. David Murphy
(part of meeting),

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MR. DULLES:

Opened the meeting by asking Mr. David Murphy to give a
situation report on [REDACTED] to the assembled group, after
which there ensued a good deal of discussion on the [REDACTED] situation
and Mr. Murphy thereafter departed.

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MR. KIRKPATRICK:

a. Mentioned that a paper had been prepared by Mr. Sheldon's
office in response to recommendations of the President's Board
involving the National Security Agency and certain [REDACTED] activities
upon which we had been asked to comment. He raised the question of
whether or not our comments should be shown to and discussed with
the USIB prior to being submitted to the President's Board. Some
discussion ensued on this point in which it was finally generally agreed
that it might be best to present our comments to the USIB prior to for-
warding them to the President's Board. General Cabell and Mr. Dulles
agreed to discuss this further later on in the day.

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b. Mentioned that the Director had also been asked to comment
on the Joint Study Group recommendations which should be ready within
the next two days. He stated that there were no major conflicts between
the Department of Defense and the Director's views on these recom-
mendations, and recommended that in this case too the DCI's recom-
mendations be submitted to the USIB beforehand. The DCI approved.

c. Raised the question of the present discussions going on
between Mr. Helms and Ambassador Bohlen [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] and pointed out that a
report was due to the Director and the Secretary of State by the end of
this week. Mr. Helms commented that he and Bohlen hoped to have a

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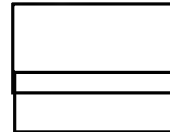
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joint agreement on certain aspects of this problem and would probably provide for further study of other aspects but he felt that a joint agreement on as much as possible should be achieved in the initial stages.



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Mr. Kirkpatrick undertook to coordinate this and see that appropriate comment was included.



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